

Appln. of: BEHN, Kristofor et al.
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REMARKS

Reconsideration and allowance of this application are earnestly solicited.

By this Amendment, claim 1 has been amended to include the limitations of claim 11; claims 7 and 11 have been canceled; and new claims 15 and 16 have been added. Claims 1-6, 8-10 and 12-16 are pending in this application.

Claim 7 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite. In view of the cancellation of claim 7, this rejection is moot and its withdrawal is respectfully requested.

The Examiner indicated that claims 11, 13 and 14 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base and any intervening claims. As noted above, claim 1 has been amended to include all of the limitations of claim 11 (which has been canceled). Accordingly, amended claim 1 is allowable. Claims 2-6, 8-10 and 12-14 depend (directly or indirectly) from claim 1 and are therefore also allowable.

Claim 15 corresponds to original claim 13, rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim (claim 1). Claim 16 corresponds to original claim 14, also rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim (claim 1). Accordingly, these claims are also allowable.

The Examiner rejected claims 1, 2, 7, 9 and 10 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b); and rejected claims 3 and 8 under § 103. In view of the above amendments to claim 1, withdrawal of these rejections is respectfully requested.

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Applicant respectfully submits that this application is in condition for allowance,
and an early action to that effect is earnestly solicited.

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